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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
DECEMBER 14, 1861.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

In response to your resolution requesting the governor "to furnish the names of any Virginia officers in the late United States army, who having resigned their commissions in said army, have not been commissioned in the service of the Confederate States," I transmit a copy of a communication sent to the convention on the 23d of November last: which contains all the information I possess on the subject.

Respectfully,

JOHN LETCHER

COMMUNICATION.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 23, 1861.

Gentlemen of the Convention:

In response to your resolution adopted on the 22d instant, and communicated to me this morning, I state that I know of no officers of the army or navy of the United States, who resigned their positions and tendered their services to Virginia, that failed to receive appointments in her service. I have been informed that some of the officers who had so resigned and had been commissioned by the state of Virginia, under your ordinance of the 17th day of April last, have not been commissioned in the confederate service.

After I received your resolution, application was made to Adjutant General Cooper for a list, but he declined, in courteous terms, to furnish it.

The list herewith communicated was received from the navy department, and furnishes the information desired as to the officers of the navy.

I am informed that some marine and coast survey officers, commissioned by Virginia, have not been commissioned by the Confederate States.

Respectfully,

(Signed) JOHN LETCHER.

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